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## **HOW SHALL WE MOVE FORWARD? A PROJECT-ORIENTED CULTURE**

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In the spirit of “Remembering and Envisioning”, as the theme of our recent LCN Retreat set forth, we reviewed our processes of working together as volunteers thus far. Prior to this year we had functioned within a model of Focus Teams designed around topics felt to be essential to running a balanced volunteer organization. We noticed that the most productive teams, those generating outcomes, had well-defined projects to work on.

To that end we concluded that for the next one to two years we would develop projects around areas of identified need and build teams, or reinforce teams already established, to complete those projects. Although many of these projects (see below) will be ongoing beyond the next two years, the goals of the

teams will be to produce concrete results, directly benefitting the LCN and stimulate further growth and inspiration.

Expected commitments to the work would include regular conference calls (usually monthly) along with regular email communication. We look forward to working with you and are excited to see what great things manifest from this new direction that the envisioning process of the recent retreat generated.

### **CURRENT PROJECTS**

#### **Chapter Support (Janet Stratton)**

Its goal is to create and maintain a resource portal on the TMI website and the Yahoo Group that is a repository of information useful to help you run and maintain your local chapter. In addition to the Handbook, you would find ideas for exercise selections, tips for managing groups, printable brochures, sign-in sheets and much more.

#### **Human Resources (Andrea Berger)**

In addition to ongoing recruitment to fill roles of leadership within the network, the human resource team envisions cataloguing skills of volunteers as a Closing Ceremony by the maintained resource for specific needs that should arise.

#### **LCN Connections (Gwen Jones)**

The newsletter LCN Connections is now reaching an audience in the thousands. To ensure its

on going success the editor, Gwen Jones, would love to work with others who are interested in writing articles, reviewing books and CDs and generating ideas to make our newsletter the best it can be.

### **Program Development (Candie Sanderson)**

We are very open to specially designed residential and out- reach programs that are intended to meet the needs of specific audiences, such as parents and children and workshops for the corporate world. If you are a creative thinker and would like to help develop and propose specialty programs to TMI, consider dedicating your talents and inspiration to this team.

### **Virtual Connection (Beth Vaughan)**

One of the ideas this team plans to establish within the next year is virtual chapter meetings that will connect people from remote areas who may not be near a local chapter but wish to gather and discuss consciousness and the ideas of TMI.

### **Training and Development (Laurin Bellg)**

This team will be revamping the certification process, reviewing and redesigning the training modules

and power point presentation to ensure that it remains current and relevant. This team brought you the latest edition of the Handbook and will continue to maintain and improve it. In addition, they plan to explore special “review modules” for current chapter leaders to help them stay up to date on the latest communication and requirements for local chapters from TMI.

### **Creative Chapter Meetings (Eric Roycraft)**

Creative thinkers who love to use Hemi-Sync and SAM selections in new and different ways, this team may be for you. Eric, an out-of- the-box thinker, is interested in exploring ways to pair specific exercises at chapter meetings to emphasize certain themes. He has also created specialty chapter meetings, such as Exploring Human Plus and would like to work with other creative people to establish a library of ideas that chapter leaders could pull from to keep their meetings fresh and exciting.

